

Page 1, before line 14, please insert the following:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

The subject matter of the subject application is related to that in copending U.S.

Patent Application Serial No. 09/621,415 filed July 21, 2000, entitled "Load Sharing
Across Flows."

Page 10, line 13, insert --200-- after "format".

Page 10, line 16, insert --202-- after "CMD field".

Page 10, line 20, insert --204-- after "SRC_PORT field".

Page 10, line 22, insert --205-- after "PKT_OFF field", and insert --207-- after
"NEW_PKT_OFF field".

Page 11, line 4, insert --210-- after "PDH_SIZE field".

Page 11, lines 6, insert --212-- after "DEST_OFF field".

Page 11, line 9, insert --214-- after "field".

Page 11, line 12, insert --216-- after "DEST_MASK field".

Page 11, line 16, insert --218-- after "QUEUE field".

? → Page 11, line 19, insert --220-- after "INTERFERENCE field".

Page 11, lines 22, insert --222-- after "TIMESTAMP field".

Page 12, line 2, insert --224-- after "set".

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims, as follows:

Please cancel claims 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 13 and 14, without prejudice.